will the capacity of a tank be a constant factor. The best course would be for the raiyats to make a more economical use of water than they are making at present.

Civil Service Examination.

Q.—26. Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA (Belur Taluk).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) what is the probable expenditure for holding the Mysore Civil Service Examination;

(*b*) why was this discontinued for the past three or four years;

(*c*) what necessity is there for holding it during this year;

(*d*) are there any Non-Brahmins who have taken 1st and 2nd rank in the said examination ever since its inception? If so, their names may kindly be intimated.

A.—The CHIEF SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT (Mr. A. V. Ramanathan).—

(*a*) A provision of Rs. 18,000 has been made in the Budget of 1936-37 for meeting the expenditure on this account. The actual amount will vary with the number of candidates that sit for the examination and the total number of papers that may have to be set.

As against this, the receipts on account of fees paid by the candidates have to be set off.

(*b*) On account of retrenchments in the number of gazetted posts effected as a measure of economy, no need for direct recruitment of fresh candidates was felt for some years.

(*c*) The vacancies expected to occur in the course of the next two years permit of direct recruitment of Probationary Assistant Commissioners now.

(*d*) Yes.

Mr. K. Chandy ... I in 1894
Mr. K. Matthan ... II in 1897

There are a few others who entered the service through direct recruitment though they did not obtain first and second rank.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—With reference to the answer to (*a*), have the Government provided Rs. 18,000 for the Civil Service Examination bacause they expect a surplus budget?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—Surplus budget has nothing to do with this provision. This is the amount provided for expenditure in connection with the examination.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—With reference to answer to (*b*), have not Government made direct recruitments to the Assistant Commissioners' cadre, during the last three or four years?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—Two Probationary Assistant Commissioners have been appointed.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—Will the Government be pleased to state how many places are expected to fall vacant within the next two or three years?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—About 10.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—Were not some Amildars promoted as Assistant Commissioners during the past two or three years?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—Yes.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—Are they not up to mark and discharging their duties satisfactorily?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—That cannot be stated by way of answer to a supplementary question.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—How many examinations have been held in the past?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—About 13. This is the 14th examination.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—How is it that in all these 13 examinations only 2 or 3 Non-Brahmins were considered fit to get ranks?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—That is a question which the examiners alone can answer.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—Who were the examiners?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—There have been different sets of them.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—Are they Mysoreans or outsiders?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—Examiners include both local persons and outsiders, though in the past, *i.e.*, before the Mysore University was started, outsiders were more.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—What is the object of holding the Civil Service Examination this year ?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—As will be seen from the Gazette Notification, the object is to select at least two people who top the list in the competitive examination.

Mr. HOMBE GOWDA.—It is stated in the answer that there are a few others who entered the service through direct recruitment though they did not obtain the first or the second rank. Can the Government say how many ?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—Two.

Mr. HOMBE GOWDA.—Is there any truth in the rumour that in addition to the two who secure the first and second ranks in the competitive examination, about 20 or 25 people would be taken as probationers for various departments ?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—I do not know what may happen some six months hence.

Mr. B. L. BYANNA.—Is it not a fact that recruitment by means of competitive examinations is considered to be the best way of securing the efficiency of service ?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—That is a matter of opinion.

Mr. T. MARIYAPPA.—When was the Mysore Civil Service Examination discontinued ?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—It was never discontinued. The last examination was held in 1928.

Mr. T. MARIYAPPA.—It is stated in the printed answer that on account of retrenchments in the number of Gazetted posts as a measure of economy, no need for direct recruitment was felt. May I know the number of officers before retrenchment and after it ?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—I cannot readily answer that question.

Mr. T. MARIYAPPA.—Were not Revenue Probationers appointed as Assistant Commissioners ?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—No. They might have been originally taken as Revenue Probationers. But they were subsequently appointed as Amildars and then promoted as Assistant Commissioners.

Mr. T. MARIYAPPA.—Are not Government reserving a few places in the Assistant Commissioners' cadre for being given to Revenue Probationers by way of promotion ?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—No Revenue Probationer was promoted directly as an Assistant Commissioner. When there were no examinations, some of the Revenue Probationers who had become Amildars were promoted just as some other Amildars.

Mr. T. MARIYAPPA.—May I know how many have been promoted in this manner ?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—Notice.

Mr. T. MARIYAPPA.—When Amildars are being promoted as Assistant Commissioners, where is the need for direct recruitment ?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—All the vacancies are not meant to be filled up by promotion.

Mr. T. MARIYAPPA.—Did not the Government promise that as far as possible, Revenue Probationers would be promoted as Assistant Commissioners and direct recruitment would be avoided ?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—Notice.

Mr. T. MARIYAPPA.—Will not the holding of the Civil Service Examination deny legitimate chances of promotion to the Revenue Probationers and others ?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—Only two will be taken by competition. There will be some nominations also.

Mr. T. MARIYAPPA.—How many will be nominated ?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—I cannot say that now.

Mr. Belur SRINIVASIENGAR.—Is it the State's interest that is important or promotions to a few individuals ?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—That is a matter of opinion.

Mr. T. MADIAH GOWDA.—Is it not an accepted principle that the persons selected for the higher appointments should be persons who have the interests of the masses at heart, show sympathy for them and should also know the language of the country ?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—The rules of the examination are published. The

candidates must be Mysoreans or graduates of the Mysore University. It must be admitted that all Mysoreans have the interest of the people of the State at heart. And if the candidates have not already passed in Kannada, they will have to pass a special test in that language.

Mr. T. MADIAH GOWDA.—But Kannada as spoken in the villages is different from that spoken in the cities.

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—I did not know that.

Litigation in Saklespur Sub-Division.

Q.—27. Messrs. B. DEVAPPA GOWDA and B. K. SOME GOWDA (Manjarabad Taluk).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) how many cases have been entertained up till now since the Sub-Division Officer, Saklespur, was invested with magisterial powers;

(*b*) how many cases are pending now and how many adjournments have been given in some cases before they were decided?

A.—The CHIEF SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT (Mr. A. V. Ramanathan).—

(*a*) 658.

(*b*) 95 on 3rd May 1936.

Average number of adjournments in cases disposed of—

in 1933-34 was 4,
in 1934-35 was 5, and
in 1935-36 was 6.

Mr. B. DEVAPPA GOWDA.—When there are so many cases pending, is it right to give adjournments over and over again? Are there not cases in which adjournments have been given 15 to 20 times?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—Please see the answer. The number for May 1936 is very much smaller. It shows that the pendency has been considerably reduced. And 15 adjournments are not too many in certain circumstances.

Mr. B. DEVAPPA GOWDA.—It is stated that 95 cases are pending. Is that also not a heavy number?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—I do not think so.

Mr. B. DEVAPPA GOWDA.—Cannot a full-time officer be appointed to preside over the court?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—The number of cases does not justify the appointment of a whole-time officer.

Insurance Companies.

Q.—28. Mr. P. BASAVE GOWDA (Arsikere Taluk).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) how many Insurance Companies have been registered as per law and established in this State;

(*b*) how many unregistered Companies are working in the State through branch offices, agencies and organisers;

(*c*) (i) what is the total income from premium to indigenous and non-indigenous companies in this State;

(ii) do these companies pay to the State income-tax or any other tax; if so, what is the amount;

(*d*) has the Government taken any security as deposit to safeguard the interests of policy-holders;

(*e*) (i) has it come to the notice of Government that Mysoreans have sustained loss by taking policies from companies in the State which have guaranteed bonus for birth, death and auspicious occasions;

(ii) are there any rules on the subject affording safety to the public;

(*f*) (i) are the Government aware that there are rules requiring the State Insurance Companies working beyond the State and within British India to keep deposits;

(ii) are there any such rules in force in our State;

(*g*) are Government aware that the Baroda Government have framed a law requiring that every Insurance Company operating within the State should keep sufficient deposit with the Government?

A.—The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT (Mr. M. Venkatanaranappa).—

(*a*) Six. Besides these, 14 foreign Insurance Companies have filed the